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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 53 and 60 without prejudice or disclaimer; amend claims 50-52, 55 and 56; and add claims 62-65. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-49 (Cancelled).

50. (Currently amended) A sustained release device, comprising an agent that reduces platelet count in a subject, wherein:

the device is adapted for long-term release of the agent is released for at least 7 days; the agent is released at a rate and in an amount effective to reduce platelet count in a subject to at least a low normal level but without significantly affecting platelet function; and the agent is not a myeloproliferative leukemic (MPL) pathway inhibitory agent.

- 51. (Currently amended) The sustained release device of claim 50, further comprising an agent for treating <u>a</u> vascular disease or complication.
- 52. (Currently amended) The sustained release device of claim 50 51, wherein the agent for treating <u>a</u> vascular disease or complication is selected from the group consisting of among an anti-coagulant agent, a fibrinolytic agent and an inhibitor of platelet function.
 - 53. (Cancelled).
- 54. (Original) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the agent is anagrelide or a derivative of anagrelide.
- 55. (Currently amended) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the agent is released at a rate ranging from 30 g/kg/day to 150 g/kg/day 30 μg/kg/day to 150 μg/kg/day.
- 56. (Currently amended) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the agent is released at a rate ranging from 1 g/kg/day to 150 g/kg/day 1 μg/kg/day to 150 μg/kg/day.
- 57. (Original) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the agent is released for at least 30 days.
- 58. (Original) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the agent is released for at least 6 months.
- 59. (Original) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the agent is released for at least 1 year.

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60. (Original) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the agent is released for at least 5 years.

- 61. (Cancelled).
- 62. (New) The sustained release device of claim 50, wherein the device is adapted for implantation.
 - 63. (New) A sustained release device, comprising: a device adapted for long-term delivery of an agent; and an agent that reduces platelet count in a subject, wherein:

the agent is an agrelide or a derivative of an agrelide; and
the device is adapted for long-term release of the agent for at least 7 days,
whereby the anagrelide is released at a rate and dosage that reduces platelet count
without significantly affecting platelet function.

- 64. (New) The device of claim 63, wherein the device is adapted for long-term release of the agent for at least 30 days
 - 65. (New) The device of claim 63, wherein anagrelide is the only active agent.